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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this letter because I am concerned about the proposed Business Opportunity Rule R511993. I believe that in its present form, it could prevent me from continuing as a Mannatech distributor.

I understand that part of the FTC's responsibilities is to protect the public from unfair and deceptive acts or practices, but some of the sections in the proposed rule will make it very difficult if not impossible for me to sell Mannatech products.

One of the most confusing and burdensome sections of the proposed rule is the seven day waiting period to enroll new Distributors. People buy TVs, cars, and other items that cost much more than that and they do not have to wait seven-days. This waiting period gives the impression that there might be something wrong with the business. I also think this seven-day waiting period is unnecessary, because Mannatech already has a 90% buyback policy for all products including sales kits purchased by a salesperson within the last twelve months.

The proposed rule also calls for the release of any information regarding lawsuits involving misrepresentation, or unfair or deceptive practices. It does not matter if the company was found innocent. Today, anyone or any can be sued for almost anything. It does not make sense to me that I would have to disclose these lawsuits unless Mannatech is found guilty. Otherwise, I will be put at an unfair advantage even though Mannatech has done nothing wrong.

Finally, the proposed rule requires the disclosure of a minimum of 10 prior purchasers nearest to the prospective purchaser. I am glad to provide references, but in this day of identity theft, I am very uncomfortable giving out the personal information of individuals to strangers. Also, giving away this information could damage the business relationship of the references who may be involved in other companies.

I have been with Mannatech for about 7 years, and this is my only income and this rule will destroy my income.

I appreciate the work on the FTC to protect consumers, but I believe this proposed new rule has many unintended consequences and that there are less burdensome alternatives available in achieving its goals.

Thanks you for your time in considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Fred Setzer